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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Clift Matthew Issuer Symbol **TEMPUR PEDIC** (Check all applicable) INTERNATIONAL INC [TPX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O TEMPUR-PEDIC 12/21/2010 EVP, Global Operations **INTERNATIONAL INC., 1713** JAGGIE FOX WAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

LEXINGTON, KY 40511

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/21/2010		M	75,000	A (1)	\$ 19.3	98,834	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2010		S	75,000	D (1)	\$ 40.01	23,834	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 19.3	12/21/2010		M	75,000	(2)	12/01/2014	Common Stock	75,000	

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

C/O TEMPUR-PEDIC INTERNATIONAL INC.

EVP, Global Operations

1713 JAGGIE FOX WAY LEXINGTON, KY 40511

Signatures

Clift Matthew

/s/ Matthew D. 12/23/2010 Clift

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 1, 2010 in order to cause the applicable sales to fall within the scope of Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Rule 10b5-1 trading plan contains specific instructions to sell shares pursuant to the exercise of options if the price of the Issuer's common stock exceeds a pre-determined price per share.
- Twenty-five percent of the total aggregate number of options granted became exercisable on December 1, 2005. The remaining options became fully vested pursuant to a stock sale restriction agreement dated December 15, 2005 between the reporting person and the issuer. The agreement restricts the reporting person's sale of common stock purchased pursuant to this option, which restriction lapses in twelve successive equal quarterly installments, which began on March 1, 2006. All restrictions lapsed by December 1, 2008.

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